

## ARORP Annual Audit Form

*The purpose of this annual audit is to ensure compliance with ARORP requirements; to confirm appropriate progress in the opioid abatement project approved by ARORP, city and county officials, the ARORP Advisory Board, administrators of the Qualified Settlement Fund (QSF), the Association of Arkansas Counties, and the Arkansas Municipal League; and to verify proper stewardship of opioid settlement dollars.*

### **General Information**

Organization: American Indian Center of Arkansas

ARORP #: 23-103

Project Title: American Indian Center of Arkansas

Date of Audit: October 15, 2024

How many years has this project been active: 1

How many years remain: 0

Is this the project's final audit? YES

Attendees Present at Audit: Star Jackson, Felicia Broughton, Cassie Cooper, Corrina Ortiz (*Zoom for part of the meeting*), Kirk Lane, Joy Spence

**Milestone Completion**

**Quarter 1**

Were Quarter 1 Milestones completed? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

Were Quarter 1 Milestones completed on time? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

**Quarter 2**

Were Quarter 2 Milestones completed? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

Were Quarter 2 Milestones completed on time? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

**Quarter 3**

Were Quarter 3 Milestones completed? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

Were Quarter 3 Milestones completed on time? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

**Quarter 4**

Were Quarter 4 Milestones completed? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

Were Quarter 4 Milestones completed on time? **YES**

If "no," was the adjustment approved by ARORP? **NA**

**All Quarters**

Based on **project milestones**, is the project currently in compliance? **YES**

If no, what is needed to bring the project into compliance? **NA**

**Notes:**

- *All milestones have been completed. Though the evaluation completion was marked "postponed," this was scheduled by ARORP and has been completed.*
- *They accepted anyone who was interested in the program and focused on connecting people to resources.*

Data Tracking

Quarter 1

Was the Quarter 1 Data Tracking Report submitted? **YES**

Was the Quarter 1 Data Tracking Report submitted past the deadline? **NO**

Are there any concerns with the project's progress based on project data submitted? **NO**

Quarter 2

Was the Quarter 2 Data Tracking Report submitted? **YES**

Was the Quarter 2 Data Tracking Report submitted past the deadline? **NO**

Are there any concerns with the project's progress based on project data submitted? **NO**

Quarter 3

Was the Quarter 3 Data Tracking Report submitted? **YES**

Was the Quarter 3 Data Tracking Report submitted past the deadline? **NO**

Are there any concerns with the project's progress based on project data submitted? **NO**

Quarter 4

Was the Quarter 4 Data Tracking Report submitted? **YES**

Was the Quarter 4 Data Tracking Report submitted past the deadline? **NO**

Are there any concerns with the project's progress based on project data submitted? **NO**

All Quarters

Based on **data submitted**, is the project currently in compliance? **YES**

If no, what is needed to bring project into compliance? **NA**

**Notes:** *In the meeting, AICA noted that more people had been seen than was originally reported and requested to update their numbers for accuracy. For example, instead of seeing 166 people, they noted that they had seen 232-234 in the meeting. AICA also noted that they saw more people than were listed, but only listed people in the the catchment area. There were also questions about the number of people who had received a one-on-one meeting; the peer noted that everyone received a meeting. Following the meeting, AICA confirmed that the original numbers were correct and there was no need for an adjustment.*

Financial Audit

***Please produce all receipts requested. If you are not able to produce requested receipts, ARORP will request the funding returned within three business days of the audit. If you are able to produce the receipt or invoice within one business day of the ARORP audit, the request for returned funding may be waived.***

Which receipts were requested? **ALL RECIEPTS**

Were receipts presented? **YES**

If no, what receipts were not presented and for what amounts? **NA**

***Notes:*** Any amounts corresponding to receipts that were not presented were removed from the annotated budget. Many AICA receipts had other grants listed as the corresponding grant for the invoice, which AICA noted was incorrect. AICA noted that a staff member originally confused this notation with another project. ARORP noted that they could not accept invoices associated with a different grant. AICA noted that they would update and document any changes.

Do receipts match the annotated budget? **YES**

If no, what receipts did not match the budget, and for what amounts? **NA**

***Notes:*** Any amounts that did not correspond to receipts or invoices were updated on the annotated budget. AICA provided receipts after the meeting, and ARORP and AICA jointly removed many receipts from several categories for irrelevant expenditures.

Have any line items exceeded the allocated budget? **YES**

***Notes:*** Please see annotated budget. Salaries went over the allotted amounts, but AICA covered these overages.

Were all budgeted items obtained? **NO**

***Notes:*** Please see annotated budget. No receipts were provided for translation services.

Were all deviations from the original budget approved by ARORP? (Any adjustments of funding from one line item to another must be approved.) **NA**

Based on the financial audit, is the project currently in compliance? **YES** (Updated 12/30/24)

If no, what must be completed to bring the project into compliance (list due date)?

***Notes:*** AICA returned unused or misspent funding in the amount of \$22,101.52 on December 30, 2024.

Compliance

Is this project in compliance with ARORP requirements? **YES** (Updated 12/30/24)

If "no," what steps must be taken to regain compliance? **NA**

**Notes:**

- AICA returned unused or misspent funding in the amount of \$22,101.52 on December 30, 2024.
- AICA was provided the opportunity to update numbers served for accuracy after noting possible discrepancies in the meeting. AICA later confirmed that there was no need to update as the original numbers were correct.

Partnership

What were some successes and challenges with your project?

**Successes:**

- More people have come to recovery, found housing, and found jobs. People in recovery are working, getting fines paid off, getting vehicles of their own, and getting housing. These are great successes. Getting to reach the Native and Hispanic communities has been a success.
- AICA committed to sustaining the two peers. They hope to expand to multiple counties. The pilot has helped their organization understand the importance of these two peers.

**Challenges:**

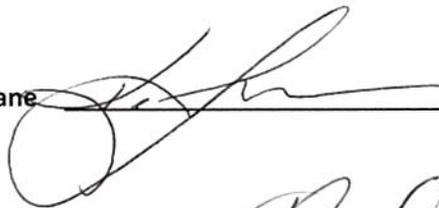
- Getting into the Marshallese population. There is readiness to be developed in the recovery aspect. They did meet with AICA, and some individuals have reached out for support.
- There is stigma in different groups. More cultural trainings would be helpful.
- The community is spread out all over the state. This project was focused on only two counties.
- In general, data collection is not thorough for Native and Hispanic populations, which makes the need difficult to track.

Is there anything ARORP could do differently to make your partnership more successful?

**Notes:** ARORP was very responsive. Being able to log into Redcap and make changes would be helpful.

ARORP Leadership

Signature of Director Kirk Lane



Date 6-16-25

Signature of Deputy Director Tenesha Barnes



Date 6/16/25